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Subject: Amendment in Para 2.43.2 (c) of Handbook of Procedure Vol.I, 2009-2014.

In exercise of powers conferred under paragraph 2.4 of the Foreign Trade Policy 2009-2014, the Director General of Foreign Trade makes the following amendment in the Handbook of Procedure Vol.I, 2009-2014:

2. Presently, Para 2.43.2 (c) of Handbook of Procedure Vol.I, 2009-2014 reads as under:

"Prior Permission of DGFT shall also not be required for transfer of imported weapons (firearms) by the Renowned Shooters* after 5 years from date of import. In respect of those shooters categorized as Renowned Shooter for at least 3 consecutive years, no permission would be required from DGFT after 3 years from date of import."

3. The above Paragraph is replaced as under:

"Prior Permission of DGFT shall also not be required for transfer of weapon/s (firearm/s) imported by a Renowned Shooter (as defined in Policy Condition 3 of Chapter 93 of ITC(HS) 2012) for the purpose of his/her pursuing shooting as a sport to any upcoming shooter as certified either by the National Rifle Association of India (NRAI) or the Department of Sports, Ministry of Youth Affairs & Sports **after two years from the date of import**. The transferee can subsequently transfer/resell to any buyer as certified by the NRAI or Department of Sports for the sole purpose of pursuing shooting as a sport **after one year from the date of its first sale**. Such transfer/sale is subject to the provisions of the Arms Act, 1959 and other rules/regulations by state/local police. NRAI/Department of Sports will maintain the required records."

4. Effect of this Public Notice:

The present dispensation of transfer/sale of imported weapons (firearms) by shooters has been liberalized.

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